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BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02114

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE OF A DRAFT NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT TO DISCHARGE INTO THE WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES UNDER SECTION 301 AND 402 OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT (THE "ACT"), AS AMENDED, AND REQUEST FOR STATE CERTIFICATION UNDER SECTION 401 OF THE ACT.

DATE OF NOTICE: July 25, 2006

PERMIT NUMBER: MA0000787

PUBLIC NOTICE NUMBER: MA-039-06

NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF APPLICANT:

Massachusetts Port Authority **Environmental Management Unit** One Harborside Drive, Suite 200s East Boston, Massachusetts 02128-2909

NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE FACILITY WHERE DISCHARGE OCCURS:

Massachusetts Port Authority Logan International Airport East Boston, Massachusetts 02128-2909

RECEIVING WATER: Boston Harbor, Boston Inner Harbor and Winthrop Bay

RECEIVING WATER CLASSIFICATION: Class SB

PREPARATION OF THE DRAFT PERMIT:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, (EPA) and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MADEP) have cooperated in the development of a permit for the above identified facility. The effluent limits and permit conditions imposed have been drafted to assure that State Water Quality Standards and provisions of the Clean Water Act will be met. EPA has formally requested that the State certify this draft permit pursuant to Section 401 of the Clean Water Act and expects that the draft permit will be certified.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE DRAFT PERMIT:

A Fact Sheet (describing the type of facility; type and quantities of wastes; a brief summary of the basis for the Draft Permit conditions; and significant factual, legal and policy questions considered in preparing this draft permit) may be obtained at no cost by writing or calling EPA's contact person named below.

Nicole Kowalski
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1 Congress Street
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Telephone: (617) 918-1746

Fact Sheet from EPA's Additionally, the can be obtained web site at http://www.epa.gov/region1/npdes/draft_permits_listing_ma.html. The administrative record containing all documents relating to this draft modified permit is on file and may be inspected at the EPA Boston office mentioned above between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

PUBLIC COMMENT, INFORMAL PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING:

All persons, including applicants, who believe any condition of this draft permit is inappropriate, must raise all issues and submit all available arguments and all supporting material for their arguments in full by September 8, 2006, to Nicole Kowalski (CIP), U.S. EPA, 1 Congress Street, Suite 1100, Boston, Massachusetts 02114-2023. Additionally, EPA and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection shall conduct an informal public meeting to present a summary of the Draft Permit and to the public's questions. Immediately following the informal public meeting a public hearing will be held to provide the public an opportunity to present oral comments on the Draft Permit and Fact Sheet. These comments will be considered before the issuance of the final permit. In reaching a final decision on this draft permit the Regional Administrator will respond to all significant comments and make the responses available to the public at EPA's Boston office.

The informal public meeting and public hearing shall be held on August 24, 2006 at 7 p.m. at the following location:

East Boston High School 86 White Street East Boston, Massachusetts

FINAL PERMIT DECISION AND APPEALS:

Following the close of the comment period and after the public hearing the Regional Administrator will issue a final permit decision and forward a copy of the final decision to the applicant and each person who has submitted written comments or requested notice. Permits may be appealed to the Environmental Appeals Board in the manner described at 40 CFR § 124.19.

Glenn Haas, Director
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